

September 30, 1988

MEMO TO FILE

Re: Gasoline in the Sanitary Sewer - 3210 W. Mt. Vernon.

On September 25, 1988 (9:45 P.M.) I received a telephone call from the Fire Dept dispatcher stating that Fire Marshal Dan Whisler had been at 3210 W. Mt. Vernon and had a very high level of gasoline vapors in the house at the above location. He had turned off the natural gas to the house as a precaution. He requested that someone from Water Pollution Control come out to check the Sanitary Sewer for gasoline. The dispatcher also stated that the Service Center night crew had already been contacted and was on their way to flush the line. I called the Service Center and talked to Paul. I told him that they should not flush the line because flushing the line with the flusher truck was too dangerous. I asked Paul if he would send the crew out with some barricades and we would open some manholes and just let the line vent. I arrived at the above location at approximately 10.15 P.M. The crew arrived with the barricades at approximately 11.00 P.M. We opened manhole #6, Wye Map P-4, first and placed two (2) barricades around the hole. Before we could place any more barricades around the hole a car came along and ran over the open manhole and the two barricades. We called for the police department. (Mr. Randy Lyman has the Accident Report No. as supplied by Police Officer R. Wells.) We then opened manholes #5 & #8, Wye Map P-4 and put out barricades. We then ordered eight (8) lighted barricades from Saf-T-Flare and arranged them between the barricades that we already placed in Mt. Vernon St. On September 26, 1988 I turned the problem over to Bob Corson and Steve Short. They have already been working on this problem and are familiar with the situation.


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